

Highest Paying Occupations

Hourly wage rates are influenced by many factors, including the requisite skills, training, education, work experience and overall market demand for a given occupation. The 20 highest-paying occupations in Utah generally require at least a Bachelor's degree and many call for even higher levels of postsecondary educational attainment. In many cases, additional training, certification or professional licensing is also required.

Hourly rates shown are the median wage for the occupations, statewide, for May 2010. The median wage is the wage of the middle worker. Half of the workers have wages above the median and half of the workers have wages below the median.

The list contains the highest paid occupations in the state. It shows wages for workers that are on an employer's payroll and does not include earnings or income of non-payroll employees. Highly skilled workers in medical occupations may be the owners or corporate members of organizations and do not receive payroll wages. These medical professionals typically earn well in excess of \$100,000 per year. Other occupational groups represented in the top 20 include management, legal, and engineering occupations, among others. Utah occupations with the highest statewide average hourly median wages:

Highest Paying Occupations May 2010

	Occupation Title	Median
1	Psychiatrists	64.16
2	Podiatrists	60.13
3	Sales Engineers	57.51
4	Chief Executives	56.06
5	Air Traffic Controllers	54.74
6	Pharmacists	53.83
7	Engineering Managers	49.52
8	Computer and Information Systems Managers	48.31
9	Lawyers	47.67
10	Marketing Managers	46.1
11	Dentists, General	45.38
12	Materials Scientists	45.32
13	Petroleum Engineers	44.88
14	Chemical Engineers	44.31
15	Real Estate Brokers	43.35
16	Aerospace Engineers	43.21
17	Sales Managers	43.18
18	Atmospheric and Space Scientists	43.0
19	Financial Managers	42.96

20	Electronics Engineers, Except Computer	\$ 42.29
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